of the German army. The Germans will have to go farther north and atwere investing Fort Troyon and the neighboring forts between Toul and Verdun, with the object of opening a way of retreat on their left.

from Toul to Verdun. Therefore, the armies of the Crown Prince Frederick will be unable to cross the Meuse and attack indefinitely.

tempt to pass by the Stenay Gap.

The forward movement of the allies between the forest of Argonne and the Meuse continues. The pressure of the allies has had the effect of straighten-The fallure of this plan means that ing the battle front until it is now althe French are masters of the vailey most a straight line to a point east of the Meuse and near Etain.

Belfort, France, is in a state of siege, and, according to the French military William and the Duke of Wurttemberg authorities, is in a position to resist

ALLIES REPULSE COUNTER ATTACKS OF GERMANS

given out today by the War Office:

"The enemy has delivered several

our right and left.

have taken 2000 ; isoners.

LONDON, Sept. 16. | The statement admits however, that The following official statement was the advance of the French and British is not rapid and that the Germans are fulling back, but slowly

The statement indicates that the counter attacks, especially against the first British corps, under Lieutenant first army corps, by these have been General Sir Douglas Haig, which did such valuant service during the recent "The Germans give way slowly before retirement of the allies, has been bearour troops and the French armies on lng the brunt of the fighting. This section of the ailled army, flanked as it "The enemy's loss is very heavy. We is by French troops, evidently makes up part of the allies' centre.

GERMAN RETREAT CONTINUES. FRENCH EMBASSY LEARNS

Continuance of the German retreat between the Argonne forest and the River Meuse was reported by the French Embassy here today. The dispatch, sent from Bordeaux, reads;

On our left wing the Germans resisted yesterday to the north of the River Aisne, on a line formed by the forest of Laigne and Cra-

At the centre their line of resistance was yesterday north of towards Vienne, a town at the western border of the Argonne.

The forces of the enemy that were occupying the south of the Argonne have accentuated their movement, retreating between the Argonne and the Meuse. They were holding vesterday the front at Varennes and Consenvoye.

On our right wing the Germans are retreating toward Metz. The French Embassy continues t express confidence that the situation is rapidly becoming more favorable to

ALLIES' ADVANCE CHECKED SAYS GERMAN WAR OFFICE

BERLIN, Sept. 16. The official statement issued today

at the War Office emphasizes the fact that the Germans have now succeeded in checking the entire of a sive movement of the allies in France.

It is stated that the German arm; is now intrenched in new strong positions, and that at a number of points the Germans have succeeded in driving the French-British lines back on their supports

So far as the entire situation in plan of campaign is working out in a very satisfactory manner.

the report says, the German forces are carrying out their general plan of campaign with uninterrupted suc-

The reason for the withdrawal of a portion of the German left wing is declared to be the presence of a superior French force. The operations about Verdun, however, are being pressed, it is stated

The official statement says: The offensive movement of the allied British and French armies

in France has been checked. We have won a number of successes and have occupied strong positions. Fighting continues, but no engagement has taken place. The enemy has been attacking with

superior numbers for two days our right wing. A severe conflict has marked the operations about Ver-

The Admiralty announced today that all the crew of the cruiser Hela. rine, had been saved. An earlier report from Admiral Behnke had indicated there had been some loss of

Another official statement denies all France is concerned the reports of the foreign reports of the progress of the

We know from the present condition that we shall fight to the We did not expect a promenals for our troops. "Hard fighting against hard opposition" is our

Confidence prevails among the Germans and the world is entitled to know that there is no truth in the talk of a French victory anywhere. All other reports are false, A definite German victory on

both frontiers cannot be doubted, despite the big superiority of the hostile forces on both sides. German soil is free of her en-

The official report makes no mention of how far or to what line of defense the German right wing has re-

GERMANS HOLD STRONG FRONT, REPORT FRENCH

issued here by the War Office at I been evacuated by the enemy, and e'clock this afternoon;

"On September 14 and 15 the rear of the Forges, which is north of Verdun. guard of the enemy came into contact ! been reinforced by a great part of the tle of the Marne, the Germans abanfensive along the whole front.

strongly held by the enemy. This front who were hidden in forests. extends from the region of Noyon, the "No exact accounting of these prisplateaus to the north of Vic-sur-Aisne oners or of the war material captured and from Soissons-le-Massif and Laon by us so far has been possible. It is to the heights on the north and west of for this reason that Minister of War Rheims; also a line that runs thence Millerand, who does not wish to give to the north of Ville-sur-Tourne, to out figures which might be considered the west of the Argonne region, and fantastic, refrains from announcing which is continued thence beyond the | the details of these captures."

BORDEAUX, Sept. 16. Argonne by another line, which passes The following official statement was north of Varennes, a point that has reaches the River Meuse in the region

"During the pursuit of the enemy with our pursuing forces, and having executed by our troops after the bat-German army, gave battle on the de- dened numerous prisoners to our "Certain sections of the front wers added a large multitude of stragglers,

AUSTRIAN CONSULATE BUSY

Reservists From Coal Fields Anxious to Reach Front, Enrol Daily.

Several hundred men are being eurolied daily at the Austrian Consulate in this city for service in the Austro-Hungarian army. These men are coming from the coal fields in Pennsylvania. War spirit among them runs high and they are con-built wounds, while most of the Germans bullet wounds, while most of the Germans. Sdent of the ultimate success of their country's arms. Hundreds of letters are being received from reservists in all sections, making anxious inquiry why they are not immediately sent abroad to fight.

The Austrians have sufficient ships in which to send the men to the other side. but, owing to the present supremacy of the seas by the English fleet, it is feared that the reservists would be made priseners of war before they arrived in Europe, should they now embark.

GERMAN MORTALITY HIGH

One-Third of French Wounded Able to Return to Front.

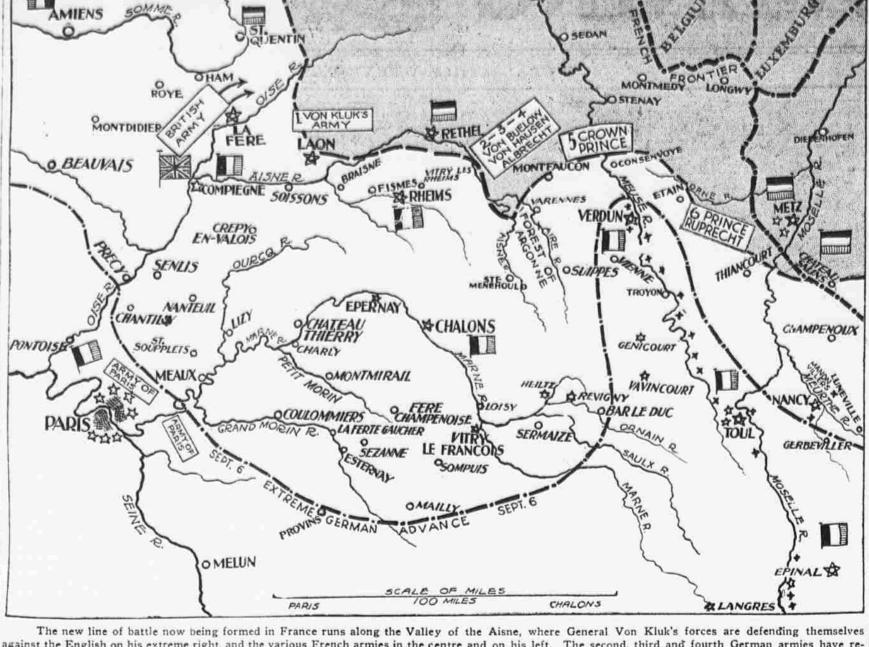
PARIS. Sept. 16. The mortality among the German wounded brought to Paris is much higher than among the French.

Of 7600 French soldiers in the hospitals have been injured by shell or bayonst.

LOCAL FIRE RECORD

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against the English on his extreme right, and the various French armies in the centre and on his left. The second, third and fourth German armies have retreated to a line north of the River Aisne, near Rethel, while further east the fifth German army, under th Crown Prince, has been compelled to move northward and eastward from the Argonne district outside of the range of the Verdun forts. The sixth German army, operating on the Lorraine frontier, is moving back to its base at Metz. South of Verdun the French have relieved Troyon, attacked by the Germans, and are forcing the Crown Prince's rear guards to the north, threatening the German centre with an enveloping movement.

CZAR'S FORCES HEM PRZEMYSL ON THREE SIDES

Communication Cut Between Strong Fortification and Cracow, Breaking Line of Supplies and Reinforcements.

timies in precipitate flight.

The position at Grodek, between Przem ysl and Lemberg, has been secured by the Russians, who have reached Mosziak-35 miles southeast of Lemberg and alported to have invested Przemysi on three

Frzeinysl is the present Russian objec-

Delayed dispatches from the Galician front state that the line of communication between Cracow and Przemysl has been severed by the Einsslan troops, Other forces, Cassacks believed to numper about 100,000 men, have swept by Przemysi and have reached Lisko, 28 miles southwest of Przemsyl and only a few miles from the Hungarian border,

Their aim is to out communication between Hungary and the two fortresses of Przemysł and Cracow and also to keep the Austrian army out of the passes of the Carusthian mountains. This would the Carpathian mountains. This would force the surrender of the forts, as the

line of supplies will be cut off.

In the fighting of the last five days, culminating in the capture of Grodek, it is stated, the Husslans have emptured to Austrian guns and 20 howitzers. COMMUNICATION SEVERED

The rapid advance of the Russian forces has cut the lines of communication from Galicia to Budapest. Russian cavalry has reached the station of Lyako an town of test population near to the less than west of Przemyel and a little less than that distance from the Hubbarian border). Its occupation cuts off Austrian retreat in that direction. Small cavalry forces have already passed through the

The Austro-German army at Cincow nd Przemysł must inevitably surrendet, s the lines are drawn more closely found it and the

and Przemysi must inevitably surrendel, as the these are drawn more closely around it and the rallways into the heart of the country are severed.

The Austrian centre still holds a broad front azainst the victorious Russians, but with the right wing smashed and the left wing crumbled up in Russian Foland, Russian Minister of War Sukbending believes that the annihilation Poland. Russian Minister of hondings believes that the annihilation of surrender of Archduke Frederick's army is imminent. Fighting has been continuous for 20 days along the centre. In that time, according to reports received by the Warn according to the control of t

according to reports received by the War Office, the Austrians have been driven

The General Staff announced today that
The General Staff announced today that
General Brousloff's treeps were marching to attack Sambor, an important point
in the Austrian line of communications.
With the capture of Sambor and Chyow, the Russlans will cut Practorysl cometely off from any assistance that might be sont from the south
be sont from the south
(Sambor is 25 miles southeast of Przemys), which lies 55 miles west of Lemberg.
Chyrow is 26 miles south of Przemysl.)

COMPLETE INVESTMENT OF PRZEM-

In an official statement issued today, the Russian War Office declares that the investment of Przemyal will prevent the Austrian arms of General Danki taking refuge there. It says: The forces of General Emnkl have

been entirely out off from the Austrian centre, and will be unable to reach Przemysł which is now completely invested by the Russians. The army of Fankl is now cut off in the bogs into which they had hoped to entire the Russians. The fragmentary details Russians. The transmission of the process as yet available show that our forces have already achieved the greatest success ever recorded in warfare. Archduke Karl Franz Josef is reported to be with the routed Austrian forces and his capture is looked for. Unofficial reports say that of the great my of 600,000 men that Austria sent int

frontier of Poland, fully 420,000 have been killed, captured or so surrounded that their escape is impossible,

The Express publishes a dispatch from Rome to the effect that the two Austrian offenberg have joined at Rhesov, thirthirty-two miles due north of Przemysl

KAISER PRAISES GALLANTRY OF PRINCE OSCAR'S TROOPS

Addresses Grenadiers After Hot Fight Near Longwy. BERLIN (by way of Amsterdam),

Sept. 16. Emperor William is taking an active part in directing the operations of the German army in France, according to reports received here today. After sharp battle near Longwy, he visited Grenadler Guards, who had acquitted themselves with honor in the conflict. After greeting his son, the Emperor

is a particular pleasure to greet you The regiment fought as I expected and as our fathers fought before us. day that the Servian army which crossed.

The battle of Virton will be eternally in- the River Save two days.

of the war. "Our comrades of the eastern army have also fought gallantly. The army of the Crown Prince and the army under he Grand Duke of Wurttemberg have divanced victoriously. Our enemies are withdrawing.

eastern army has driven three tussian corps over the frontier. Two tussian corps expitulated in the open Russian corns over field. Sixty thousand men and two gen-erals were made prisoners. "For all these victories we have to thank only One. That is our God who

RUSSIANS ESTABLISH RULE IN PROVINCE OF BUKOVINA

Governor Placed at Czernowitz, Says Petrograd Dispatch. ROME, Sept. 16,

A dispatch to the Tribuna from Petrotrail says that Bukovina has been transormed into a Russian province, with a tussian Governor at Czernowitz, General Barone publishes an article in the Giornale d'Italia, in which he reaches the conclusion that the Germans are in danger of being entrapped in France.

JAPAN SUPPRESSES PAPERS

The Italian Government has authorized

the exportation to England of 25,000 tons

Charges Publications With Stirring Animosity Among Nations. TOKIO, Sept. 18.

In an official statement the Japanese Jovernment explains why it has ordered the Herald," a German-controlled newscaper, and "the Deutsch Japan Post," a terman news agency, to cease publica-

It is charged that both publications for rears have sought to create animosity ies, particularly England and the United States. "The Herald" has been pub-lished at Yokohama. The editor of the cy has been ordered to leave Japan within a week.



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BOSNIAN CAPITAL NOW ENDANGERED BY SERVIAN FORCE

Capture Vishegrad, 40 Miles South of Sarajevo and Effect Junction With Invading Montenegrins.

NISH, Sept. 16. Official announcement has been made here of the capture of Vishegrad, in Bosnia, by Servian troops,

The Servian army that took Vishegrad and the Montenegrins, who captured on, Prince Oscar, commander of the Fotcha, also in Bosnia, have effected a juncture and are marching toward Saralevo despite a determined resistance by the Austrians. Sarajeve is only forty miles north of Vishegrad.

VIENNA, Sept. 16. General Hocfer, chief deputy of the Austrian General Staff, announced toibed with letters of gold in the his- defeated along its entire line.

VIENNA WAR OFFICE DENIES INVESTMENT OF PRZEMYSL

Also Confirms Report of Junction of Austrian Main Armies. VIENNA, Sept. 18.

The Russian reports that they have inare officially denied. It is stated that the German army, fighting is still in progress, with the Austrians maintaining their former po-Denial also was made at the War Office today that the Austrian army of Gen-

Dankl has been compelled to surren r by the Russians. It is stated that the Russian troops had managed almost con pletely to surround the Austrians, who were taken at a disadvantage by having o effect a retreat through unfavorable territory, but that the Austrians have now cut their way through the Russian nes and have affected a junction with he main Austrian army.
It is admitted that the Austrian losses

onection with this movement were

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WORK OF AUSTRALIAN FLEET IS COMMENDED Admiral Patey Reports Details of

Capture of Herberstshohe. MELBOURNE, Sept. 16.

Prime Minister Millen has received the following wireless report from Admiral Patey, in command of the Australian

"I estimate that there were 20 or 30 Germans killed at Herberstshohe and six British. The defending force was numerically the strongest.

"The conduct of the Australians in action was extremely valorous. "Further fighting is probable, although

the British hold Rabaul. "In its operations the Australian fleet has done good work in conjunction with the British China sea squadron, in destroving German wireless stations in the

TO REINFORCE ALLIES' ARMY Cavalry Welcomed to Relieve Strain

On French Horse. The allied lines in France have been reinforced by the arrival of the first detachment of the Indian troops who River Save two days ago has been made the trip by way of the Suez Canal and were rushed to the front from South France by rail.

These troops, it is understood, are envalry, and they will be welcomed, as the French cavalry horses are reported as badly wern out by their constant use since the war began. It is believed here that they will be sent to reinforce Sir John French who is reported as initiating an enveloping movement, which has for its object vested the Galician fortress of Przemyel the cutting off the main right wing of

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"Where only the best is good enough,"

own fortifications, is generally discredited.) LONDON, Sept. 16. A news agency despatch from Amsterdam states a Berlin despatch received there says it was officially announced togay that the Germans had evacuated

Belgians.

on the defensive.

ANTWERP, Sept. 15. The Germans are rushing fresh troops into Belgium from Aix-la-Chappelle, but whether these are intended to strengthen the forces now here or are to be sent to the south to fill the gaps in the German right wing is not yet known.

LIEGE EVACUATED,

BY KAISER'S FORCE,

SAYS BERLIN REPORT

Abandonment Would Cut

Off German Line of Re-

treat-Fortify Brussels to

Hold With Small Garri-

BERLIN (by way of Rome), Sept. 16. An official statement issued here says

that the Germans have abandoned

No reason is assigned for the re-

ported statement from Berlin by way

of Rome that the Germans have aban-

doned Liege and there is no confirma-

tion from any other source. It has

been reported that the Germans' lines

of communications had been threat-

ened, but in neither the London nor

the Paris statements has there been

any intimation of any operations of

any kind in Belgium, excepting those

which were being conducted by the

It is possible that the troops at Liege

have been sent south for sterner work in France, where, it is stated, the bat.

tle has been renewed with the Germans

(It has been stated that the Germans' only line of retreat lay through the region of Liege. The report, together with the statement that the Germans had been ordered to fall back to their

The Belgian forces again have retired to the protection of the outer ring of the Antwern fortifications, where they the Antwerp fortifications, where they are waiting developments. King Albert and the General Staff 1 eld a long confer ence today, after which troops were massed along the fortifications that comnand the River Scheldt.

mand the River Scheldt.

It is believed a new attempt by the Germans to isolate Antwerp from the sea may be planned, but as the dykes have been reopened and the country in that vicinity is covered with water, it is not believed they can hope to carry such a movement to a successful con

clusion. It was stated by the general staff to day that during the last 24 hours the Germans have sent upward of 60,000 additional troops into Belgium, indicating a determination on the part of the Ger-mans to hold their lines of communication through Belgium at any cost. Only skirmishing was in progress in Belgium

German troops are fortifying Brussels to permit the departure of more rein-forcements to France. Rapid-fire guns have been mounted on the Boulevard du Jardin Botanique and at the north and outh stations.

Reports received here today say that the Germans anticipate an attack on Brussels by a combined Belgian and British force, At Etterbeek,

LONDON, Sept. 18. ported that fighting took place between prussian and Bavarian soldiers, 39 of whom were killed.

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